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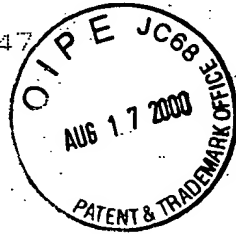
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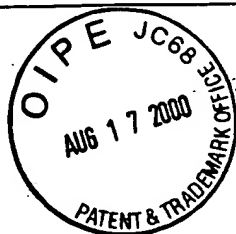
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The communication filed on **05/10/00** is not fully responsive to the communication mailed **04/10/00** because 37 CFR 1.821 (a)(2)(c-d) states that each sequence disclosed must appear separately in the "Sequence listing" *and* in the text of the description and claims (i.e., where first mentioned in the specification). See MPEP 2431. For example, page 20 of the specification discloses nucleotide **and** amino acid sequences for Figures 10-12. Moreover, SEQ ID NO:21 of Figure 10 is an amino acid sequence and not a genomic nucleotide sequence, as currently disclosed, which alternatively appears to represent the amino acid sequence depicted in Figure 12. Additionally, Figure 11 lists a nucleotide sequence of 637 nucleotide residues, whereas SEQ ID NO:22 of Figure 11 is a genomic sequence of 3271 nucleotide residues. It is also unclear whether the sequences depicted in Figure 13 are represented by a SEQ ID NO. Clarification is required. Please recheck that all sequences are mentioned at least once in the specification and are directed toward the correct sequence. Applicant must comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) before the application can be examined under 35 U.S.C. §§ 131 and 132.

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